

First Christian Church

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Encouraging Newsletter

FCC "ON MISSION" OPPORTUNITIES!

HALLOWEEN ON MAIN STREET!

On **Saturday, October 27th** starting at 10AM, we are looking for 3-4 people to help pass out candy in front of the Bargain Shop. The candy will be provided! While we are handing out candy, we will also be handing out information about our church! Any questions, please see Pastor Mike!

HOMELESS SHELTER MINISTRY:

We will be serving at the Rescue Mission in Fort Wayne and helping sort through donations from 1-4PM on **Saturday, November 10th!** We will be leaving the church at noon and should be back to Kendallville around 5PM! Any questions please see Pastor Mike!

Operation Christmas Child SKIRTS!

Sunday, October 28 at 1:00 you have the opportunity to help make SIMPLE elastic waist skirts to pack in our shoeboxes. Don't sew? That's ok, we could use help cutting and pressing. If you plan to attend, bring a sewing machine, cutters or scissors, thread, etc. if possible.

Check your fabric stash for donations - minimum size 10"x24". Sign up at the Welcome Center. See Lisa Hostler if you have any questions.

Mark your Calendar

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| TODAY | 8:00 a.m. prayer in 5:17 War Room Food Pantry collection 6:30 p.m. Church Prayer Meeting |
| Tuesday | 6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery |
| Wed. | 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Dinner 6:00-7:30 p.m. AWANA |
| Thurs. | 7:30 a.m. Yardbirds |
| Oct. 21 | 11:45 a.m. Savory Senior Plus potluck 6:00 p.m. Hymn Sing |
| Oct. 28 | 11:30-2:00 p.m. Ldrship Development |
| Oct. 28 | Budgets due 1:30 p.m. sewing skirts for OCC |

ADOPTION EVENTS! Logan Conley and the Crew have offered to hold a Fundraising Event for Mike and Anna's adoption of Gabriel! The event will take place the Crew (529 S. Main Street) on **October 18th** from 7pm-8:15pm!

Also on **Saturday November 3rd**, Mike and Anna will be participating the 20th annual Adoption Celebration (hosted by Star 88.3) at Sweetwater from 3-6pm! The night will feature a concert with Mark Schultz, info from Adoption Agencies, and lots of fun activities for children! Please see Pastor Mike and Anna with any questions about these events!

"Savory Seniors Saints Plus" is the new name for the all-church potluck that we have each month typically on the 3rd Sunday. The "plus" includes everyone!! October 21 we will gather around 11:45 at the church. Bring a dish to share if you are able to, but join us anyway!

Reminders

- **Operation Christmas Child** for October



will be monetary donations to help cover the cost of shipping the boxes. Place your donation in the green shoe box at the back of the auditorium.

- **All loose \$1 bills in the offering plate each week will help ship the Operation Christmas Child boxes. (Each box costs \$9 to ship).**
- **ProPresenter Worker(s) Needed:** We need of some ProPresenter workers for Sunday mornings! You will be on a rotating schedule. Training will be provided!
- **Celebrate Recovery** meets every Tuesday evening at 6:30 at FCC. This is a Biblical based recovery program that takes you through the necessary steps to focus on and experience true freedom! Please see Pam Humes if you need further information or pick up a flier in the lobby.
- Bible Study on Wednesday morning at 9:30.
What You Do Best in the Body of Christ
Book cost \$8
- Small Group at the Library on Thursday evenings with Pastor Mike leading.
6:30-8 PM
Growing God's Way

Newsworthy Information!

The Arc Noble County Foundations is having a **Fish & Tenderloin Dinner (All you can eat!)**

Friday, October 19, 2018

506 S. Orange St., Albion

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Carry-outs available

Adults-\$10; Children (6-12)-\$5;

Children 5 and under free

Contact Jim (318-2980) or Carol (318-0055)

Chandler for tickets or Pro-Fed in Kendallville,

C & F in Albion, or CSB in Albion.

Exciting items to be auctioned off at the fish fry!

Proceeds to benefit

The Arc Noble County Foundations

The **Kendallville Lions Club Annual Turkey Dinner** is always a good meal and you get to meet the local candidates and current officials while you are there. Jack Frederick, Bob Farmer or Rich Anderson would probably be happy to sell you tickets; Adults, \$12; Child under 10, \$8. The dinner takes place Monday, October 29 from 4:30-7:15 pm.

Stop by the LifeWay Store October 15 through

October 20 as we join them for

First Christian Church Week at LifeWay.

You can enjoy an extra 20% of your purchase, including sale & clearance this week at the Lifeway Store. Just mention FCC at checkout to receive your discount. The store is located in the same shopping center as Hobby Lobby in Ft. Wayne.



Opportunities for
Your
Involvement!!

Something to think about and pray about: When our Youth Group gets larger, (and it will!) there will be a need for more youth leaders to help out. If God tugs at your heart, let it be known to the leadership.

If you want to be involved in a Small Group but don't see an active one that fits your schedule, maybe it is time to talk with our Church Life Coordinator, Travis Hostler. I'm thinking there are men out there that would like to get involved in a Men's study group or women, young and old, that feel the same. Of course there are always leaders needed, but then maybe God is calling you. Whatever you are thinking, let us help get it started. We don't know unless you say something!!



WORSHIP REHEARSAL:

The Worship Rehearsal (Choir and Worship Team) for this week is **Tuesday, October 16th** from 7-8:30PM **AND Saturday, October 20th** from **1:30-2:30PM!**

Webpage Updates! If you have an event that you would like on the webpage, please fill out a form at the Welcome Center or see Kim Williams! The church website is still under construction but please check it out! The address is [http://www.firstchristiankendallville.org!](http://www.firstchristiankendallville.org)

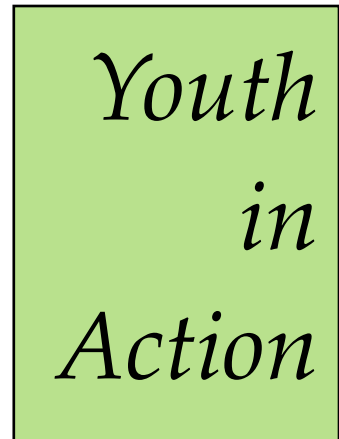
THANK YOU to each and everyone who had a part in making our booth at the Apple Festival work this year!! Those of you who worked in many areas and many shifts, thank you! Those of you who helped in any of the preparation, thank you! Those of you who offered prayers, thank you! Without all of your participation it wouldn't have happened. Until next year....THANK YOU !! VERY MUCH!!!
On that note....The gross amount made from the sale of stew, kabobs and drinks was \$14,163.80. Once all invoices come in and are paid, we should net around \$7,500 to be placed into the In His Name fund.



FCC Student Ministry Information!!!

No Young Ladies' Bible Study (6th-12th grade) or Young Men's Bible Study tonight. (10/14)

- Today at 1:00 p.m. Jeff Houser will lead the youth in building the Gaga Ball pit.
- Saturday, October 20 at 5:30 the youth will go to see Lexington Road in concert at North Park Community Church in Fort Wayne.
- Regular Youth Group will resume on October 21st with Young Ladies' Bible Study (6th-12th grade): Meeting Sundays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Young Men's Bible Study also meets Sundays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Youth Group at 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Friday, October 26 the youth will go to a corn maze



Dear Share Partner,

Thank you once again for helping Solid Rock Bible Camp help the youth of Alaska to know and walk with God.

We who have known God for many years know that God is good. We know that God loves us, and that God is not passive. God always pours out saving acts on our behalf. The world does not acknowledge God's goodness, neither do they recognize God's efforts for us. The purpose of Solid Rock is to help young people to see the truth of God's love and interaction with us.

When we come to the place where we know that God is both infinite and personal we have traveled a long way. But, it is just the beginning of our journey to know God. Today's culture will allow personal truth, yet absolute truth is not tolerated. The Bible draws us a picture of God and His actions that demands a decision. We must join him or oppose a knowledge of Him. We must accept Jesus Christ as our Savior or reject Him.

Solid Rock is a Bible Camp; we believe that people change as the truths of the Bible awaken their slumbering spirit and soul. So, our programs include sound Bible teaching. The purpose of this teaching is not just knowledge, it is to know God and with that knowledge develop a close, life-changing enjoyment of Him. This enjoyment is not a result of Him joining us. He has always been there. The enjoyment is the result of our joining Him.

Recently I was thinking through the idea of repentance. The present cultural idea of repentance is to say you are sorry or admit you are wrong. That is certainly part of it, but, that is only the beginning. Repentance is changing the direction you have been headed and going a new direction. Certainly, a change of heart comes first, but it is followed by a change of direction. This is what we hope for in our work here at Solid Rock. We want to see a change of heart in Alaska's youth, and also a change of direction.

Repentance is a hard decision for young people to make. A life changing decision can result in loss of friends. When you are young, friends are family. To lose a friend is to lose family. The cost is high, and they know it. Some cannot take that step, others do. Part of what we do beyond summer camp is help support those who boldly seek God. Follow-up Bible studies, winter retreats, and personal interaction are part of what we do.

You have helped us with all these efforts. Thank you. We work as a team to help young people. Please know that you are part of that team. May God bless you as you remain mindful of Him.

Sincerely,

Ted McKinney
Solid Rock Ministries, Inc.

